

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY BANGKOK

TO AMEMBASSY COLOMBO

INFO SECSTATE WASHDC 7660

AMCONSUL CHIANG MAI

/AMCONSUL HONG KONG 1752

AMEMBASSY PANAMA

AMEMBASSY SINGAPORE

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EO 11652: N/A

TAGS: EAID, ECRE, BBAK, EFIN, TH

SUBJ: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON UNITED DEVELOPMENT INC. (UDI)

REF: HONG KONG 15910

1. EMBASSY'S FILES CONTAIN NO RECORD OF UNITED DEVELOPMENT INCORPORATED WHICH IS ALSO UNLISTED IN THE BANGKOK TELEPHONE DIRECTORY.
2. THAI FARMING CO., A SUBSIDIARY OF THE EISENBERG GROUP, ESTABLISHED A WELL EQUIPPED FOOD PROCESSING PLANT NEAR CHIANG MAI IN LATE 1973.
3. FROM THE BEGINNING OF ITS OPERATIONS, THE COMPANY HAS BEEN PLAGUED WITH PROBLEMS STEMMING FROM THE INADEQUATE SUPPLY OF QUALITY LOCAL PRODUCE FOR PROCESSING. AS A RESULT, THE COMPANY HAS BEEN OPERATING SUBSTANTIALLY BELOW ITS PRODUCTION CAPACITY.

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4. PRESS REPORTS IN RECENT MONTHS INDICATE THAT ITS MANAGEMENT HAS SOUGHT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE RTG WITH A POSSIBLE EXCHANGE OF EQUITY. EMBASSY UNABLE TO CONFIRM THAT OWNERSHIP OR ANY PART WAS ACTUALLY TRANSFERRED. HOWEVER, A LOCAL BANK LISTS SIX OF THE SEVEN BOARD OF DIRECTORS AS THAI NATIONALS. THE BANK REPORTS FAVORABLY ON THE FIRM STATING THAT IT IS CONSIDERED GOOD FOR ITS MODERATE BUSINESS ENGAGEMENTS.

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